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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2005–06 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 690

Introduced by Assembly Member Saldana (Coauthors: Assembly Members Chavez, *Plescia*, and Sharon Runner)

February 17, 2005

An act to add Section 323 to the Military and Veterans Code, relating to military compensation.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 690, as amended, Saldana. National Guard: weapons of mass destruction civil support team.

Existing law provides certain protection and benefits for members of the National Guard and reservists called to active duty, as specified.

This bill would authorize a state retention bonus in the amount of \$2,000 to be awarded annually to a member of the California National Guard Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Team, as specified, provided that the member is a certified hazardous materials specialist or technician.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 323 is added to the Military and
- 2 Veterans Code, to read:

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323. (a) A qualified member of the California National Guard Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Team, as certified by the United States Department of Defense, is eligible to receive an annual State Retention Bonus in the amount of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) at the completion of each year of service on the team.

(b) For purposes of this section, "qualified member" means a member of the California National Guard Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Team who is certified as a hazardous materials specialist or technician pursuant to under the laws of this state.